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Mr. J. Steve Saxton
Federal Transit Administration
915 Second Avenue, Suite 3142
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Mr. Kent Hale
Sound Transit, Union Station
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Seattle, Washington 98104

Dear Messrs. Saxton and Hale:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has reviewed the Link Light Rail Operations and Maintenance Satellite Facility Final Environmental Impact Statement (EPA Region 10 Project Number 12-0046-FTA). We conducted this review in accordance with our responsibilities pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act and Section 309 of the Clean Air Act. We appreciate the opportunity to review the Final NEPA document.

Federal Transit Administration and Sound Transit have identified the BNSF Alternative as the preferred alternative. In our comments on the Draft EIS, we identified the BNSF Alternative as the environmentally preferred alternative; therefore, we are pleased with this selection. Thank you for your responsiveness to our comments. We have no further comments at this time.

If we can assist in any way, please contact me at (206) 553-1601 or by electronic mail at Littleton.Christine@epa.gov, or contact Elaine Somers at (206) 553-2966 or by electronic mail at Somers.Elaine@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Christine B. Littleton" followed by a flourish.

Christine B. Littleton, Manager
Environmental Review and Sediment Management Unit